

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 March 08 2016 to 0600 March 09 2016



A fallen tree blocks the street in Ventura, California, due to powerful storms that battered parts of the state.

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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News – Significant Events

Flooding likely from Texas Gulf Coast to Southern Illinois

(AP) Flash flooding was expected from the Texas Gulf Coast to southern Illinois on Wednesday, with the heaviest rain likely to fall in Southeast Texas and the Ozark and Ouachita mountains of Arkansas, the National Weather Service said. Up to 7 inches of rain was expected through Wednesday and up to 12 inches by the end of the weekend along the Texas-Louisiana border and central Arkansas. Flash flood watches have been issued Wednesday for areas from Port O'Connor, Texas, to near Springfield, Illinois. Some flooding was reported late Tuesday in northwestern Louisiana between Shreveport and Minden, with 30 homes in a Haughton, Louisiana, subdivision being evacuated, the Shreveport Times reported. The flooding comes after recent severe thunderstorms raged across parts of Central and North Texas. A tornado struck a mobile home park in the North Texas town of Tolar on Monday morning, smashing some homes and injuring two people after two other tornadoes late Sunday injured two people in the North Texas towns of Stephenville and Cool. Storm winds damaged dozens of boats Tuesday at Lake Benbrook near Fort Worth, Texas, dismasting some of them and tossing picnic tables into the lake. The system is not related to one that brought powerful thunderstorms to much of California on Monday, walloping the Sierra Nevada with blizzard conditions and briefly knocking out power at the Los Angeles airport.

International News – Significant Events

American fatally stabbed in Israel terror attack that wounds 10 others

(CNN) A former U.S. Army officer who was part of a Vanderbilt University tour group was stabbed to death in a terror attack that left 10 others wounded in an old section of Tel Aviv, officials said Tuesday. Taylor Force, a first-year student in the graduate school of management, was killed, Vanderbilt chancellor Nicholas S. Zeppos announced. "This horrific act of violence has robbed our Vanderbilt family of a young hopeful life and all of the bright promise that he held for bettering our greater world," Zeppos said. The school said in a separate statement that Force was among 29 students and four staff members who had gone to Israel to study global entrepreneurship. They were in Jaffa by the Mediterranean Sea when they were attacked. All the other trip participants from Vanderbilt are safe, the Nashville, Tennessee, school said. According to Force's LinkedIn page, he graduated from West Point in 2009 and was a field artillery officer in the U.S. Army until 2014. Force, 28, started an MBA study in 2015. At the time, he told the website Poets and Quants that he went to Vanderbilt because of the support for veterans, the diversity of students and the quality of education. "In addition to learning the skills needed to be successful in business, I want to establish life-long connections and friendships with my fellow students from the U.S. and around the globe," he said. The U.S. State Department confirmed Force's death and condemned the attack. "We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Taylor and all those affected by these senseless attacks, and we wish a speedy recovery for the injured," spokesman John Kirby said. "As we have said many times, there is absolutely no justification for terrorism." Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sent his condolences to Force's family. "May his memory be a blessing," Netanyahu said. The stabbing attack occurred along a popular oceanfront boardwalk in southern Tel Aviv not far from where U.S. Vice President Joe Biden was visiting. "In these moments, terror attacks are taking place in streets adjacent to us," said former Israeli President and Prime Minister Shimon Peres during a meeting with Biden at the Peres Center for Peace. Biden "condemned in the strongest possible terms the brutal attack" that took the life of one of his countrymen at the same time, and around the same area, that he was meeting with Peres. "There is no justification for such acts of terror," the vice president's office said in a statement. "(Biden) expressed sorrow at the tragic loss of American life. "Israeli police spokesman Micky Rosenfeld tweeted that the attacker, a Palestinian from the West Bank, was fatally shot by police.



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Landfill Fire, Riverside County

- At 2025 hours on 03/08/2016 the California State Warning Center (CSWC) received notification from Jeremy Jets with Riverside County Hazmat, of a fire burning at a landfill, located at 86000 Pierce Street in Thermal on Tribal Lands in Riverside County.
 - County Hazmat said fire was contained and CAL FIRE was handing over to Tribal Fire resources. County Hazmat requested contact with DTSC due to heavy metals burning.
 - Carlos Ortega (DTSC) has been notified and is looking into the incident. DTSC stated they would send additional information as it became available.
 - Riverside County Hazmat reported no health and safety concerns at this time.
 - The landfill fire is located at 86000 Pierce Street in Thermal. The Cal OES Executive Duty Officer and Tribal Liaison Duty Officer (TLDO) were notified of the event.
 - The TDLO identified the impacted tribe as the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians.

Weather of Concern

Northern California

- Light rain is expected over Northern California Wednesday night with most of the precipitation falling in the northernmost portions of California. Much wetter systems will follow this and continue through early next week.
- Strong winds and wind gusts will be a concern for northernmost portions of California as a low pressure system and associated front moves across the area.
 - At the coast, southerly winds are expected to be between 45 and 55 mph. with gusts of up to 85 mph.
 - For the Shasta Valley 35-45 mph. with gusts from 60 to 80 mph.
- Periods of moderate to heavy precipitation along with gusty winds possible Thursday through Monday.

Southern California

- Gusty northwest to north winds will affect portions of southwestern California through Wednesday morning.
 - Northwest to north winds 25 to 35 mph. with gusts to 50 mph. through Wednesday morning. The strongest winds will be along the interstate 5 corridor and along the Santa Ynez range.
- For Central California, surf of 10 to 12 feet will slowly subside to less than 10 feet by mid-morning. Further South, surf of 6 to 10 feet will slowly subside to 4 to 6 feet by mid-morning.
- A quick storm system will bring wind and precipitation Friday afternoon and night. A moist flow pattern will bring additional chances of precipitation early next week.

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River Forecasts

The following Rivers are currently above Monitor Stage as of 0650 hours:

Inland Region:

- Sacramento River at Colusa Weir, 62.6 feet, Monitor Stage 61.8 feet (Colusa County)
- Sacramento River at Tisdale Weir, 47.7 feet, Monitor Stage 45.5 feet (Colusa County)

Rivers currently forecast to go above Monitor Level

Coastal Region

- Mad River at Arcata (Humboldt County)
- Eel River at Fernbridge (Humboldt County)
- Van Duzen River at Bridgeville (Humboldt County)
- Navarro River at Navarro (Mendocino County)
- Russian River at Hopland (Mendocino County)
- Russian River at Guerneville (Sonoma County)

Inland Region

- Sacramento River at Tehama Bridge (Tehama County)
- Sacramento River at Ord Ferry (Glenn County)
- Sacramento River at Moulton Weir (Colusa County)
- Sacramento River at Colusa Bridge (Colusa County)

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Medford Weather:

There will be very strong southerly winds this afternoon into Thursday morning. Peak gusts of 50 to 80 mph are expected across much of the area with strongest winds in the typical locations, at the coast, over the mountains and in the Shasta valley. This will be a powerful storm with the potential for power outages and difficult travel for high profile vehicles. The timing of the associated cold front will bring peak wind gusts between 10 pm this evening and 4 am early Thursday morning.

Eureka Weather:

Some light rain today and gusty south winds will give way to heavy rain this evening and overnight into early Thursday. Additional storm systems will bring more rain through early next week with the threat of flooding in low lying areas.

Reno Weather:

A weak disturbance will bring light snow and rain this morning mainly north of highway 50. Winds will increase overnight with strong and gusty winds expected by Thursday morning. Periods of rain and snow into this weekend through early next week.

San Francisco Weather:

Light rain is likely today especially over the North Bay. Much more significant rainfall is expected for tomorrow into Friday as an atmospheric river sets up and takes aim at the region. Additional systems will bring widespread rainfall to our area this weekend.

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WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

A weak weather system will move through the region today. Periods of moderate to heavy precipitation along with gusty winds are possible Thursday through Monday.

Hanford Weather:

A few showers are possible north of Fresno County today as a weak disturbance passes over northern California, otherwise high pressure will provide dry and seasonably mild conditions through Thursday. Widespread rain and mountain snow are likely to return for Friday and again late Sunday into Monday as additional storm systems move through the region.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Above normal temperatures and fair skies will occur through Thursday with high pressure in control. Then on Friday, low pressure will bring rain to the area. It will be dry on Saturday but a chance of rain will return for Sunday and Monday.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

Fair and warmer weather will continue through Thursday under a high pressure ridge. A quick storm system will bring wind and precipitation Friday afternoon and night. A moist flow pattern will bring additional chances of precipitation early next week.

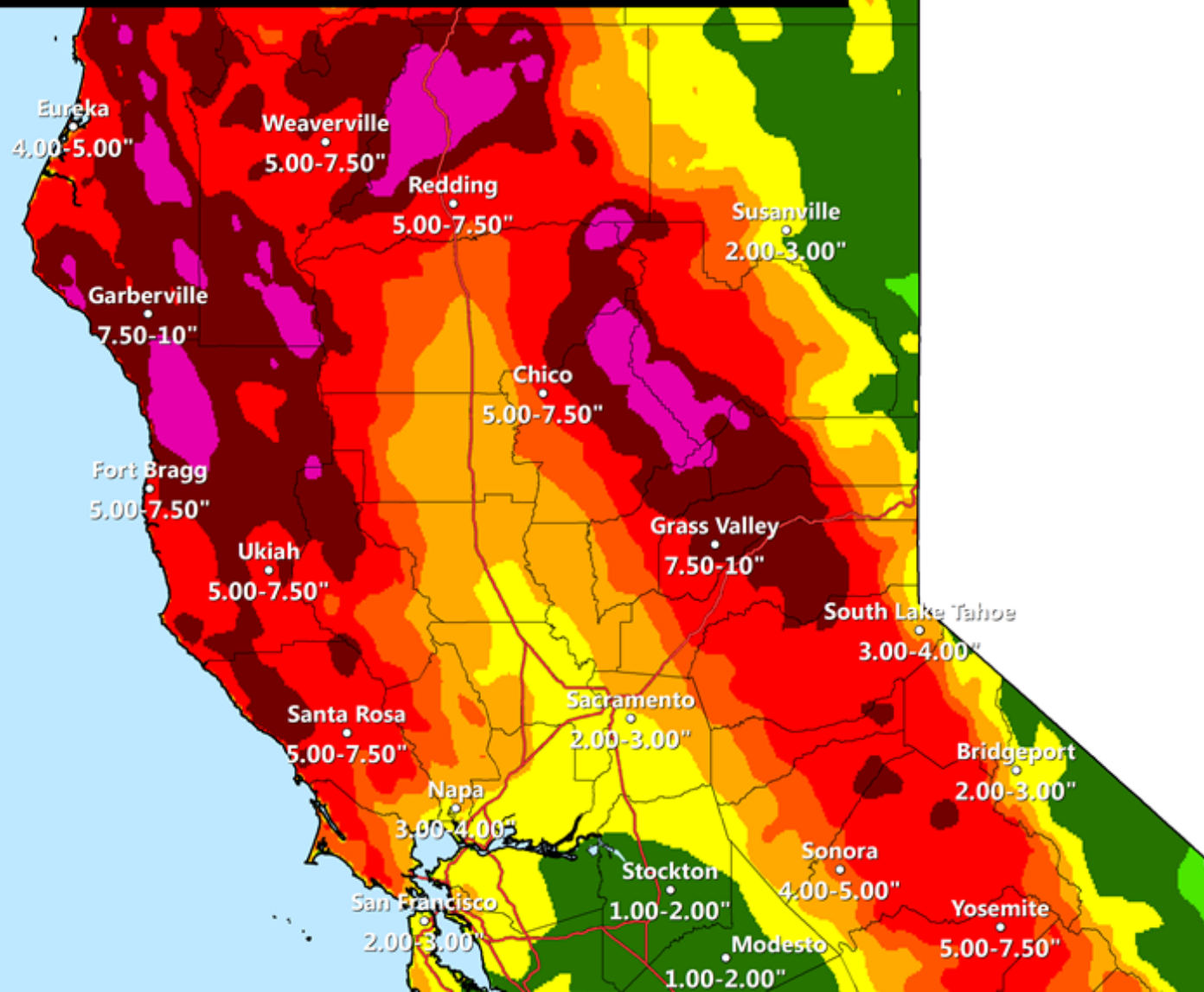
Southeast California Weather:

Drier, warmer, and calmer conditions are expected through the middle of this week as high pressure builds into the region. Winds will increase Friday ahead of the next system set to move across the region Friday night. Dry, yet cooler conditions return Saturday followed by another weather system on Sunday and Monday.

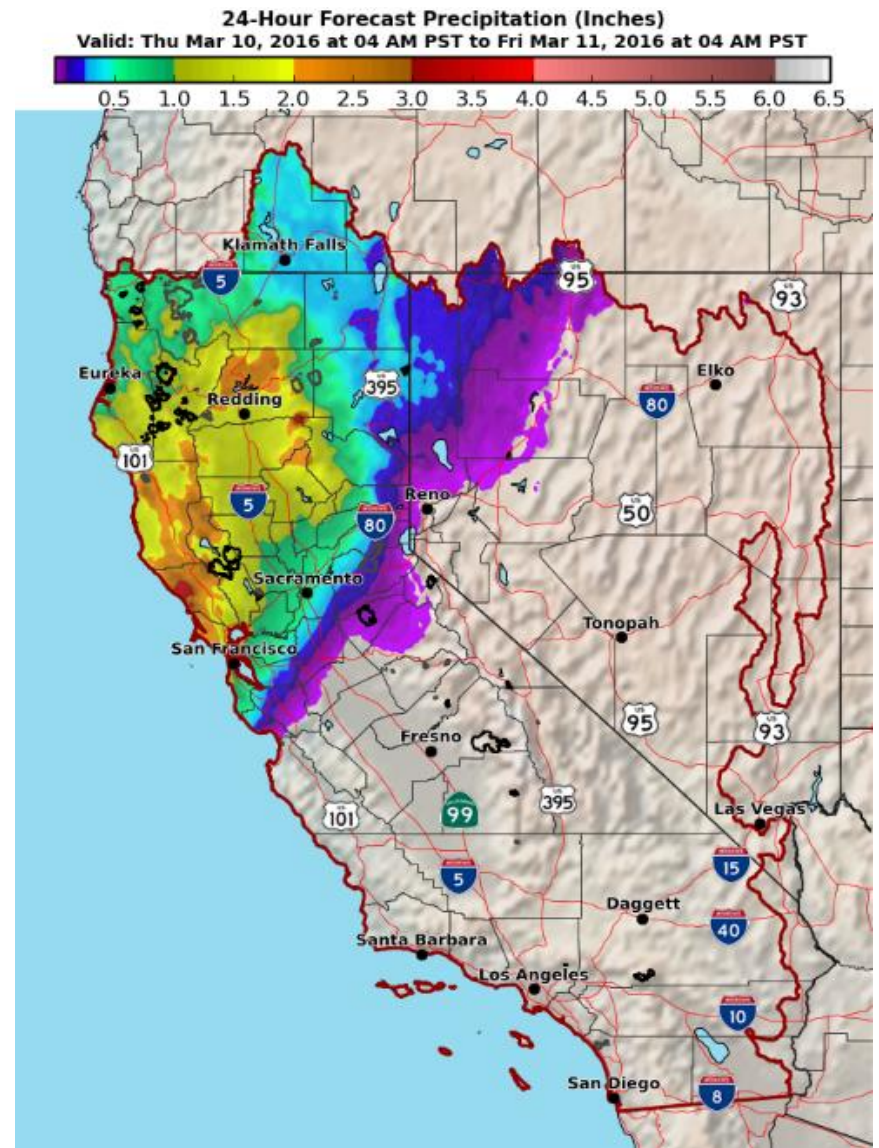
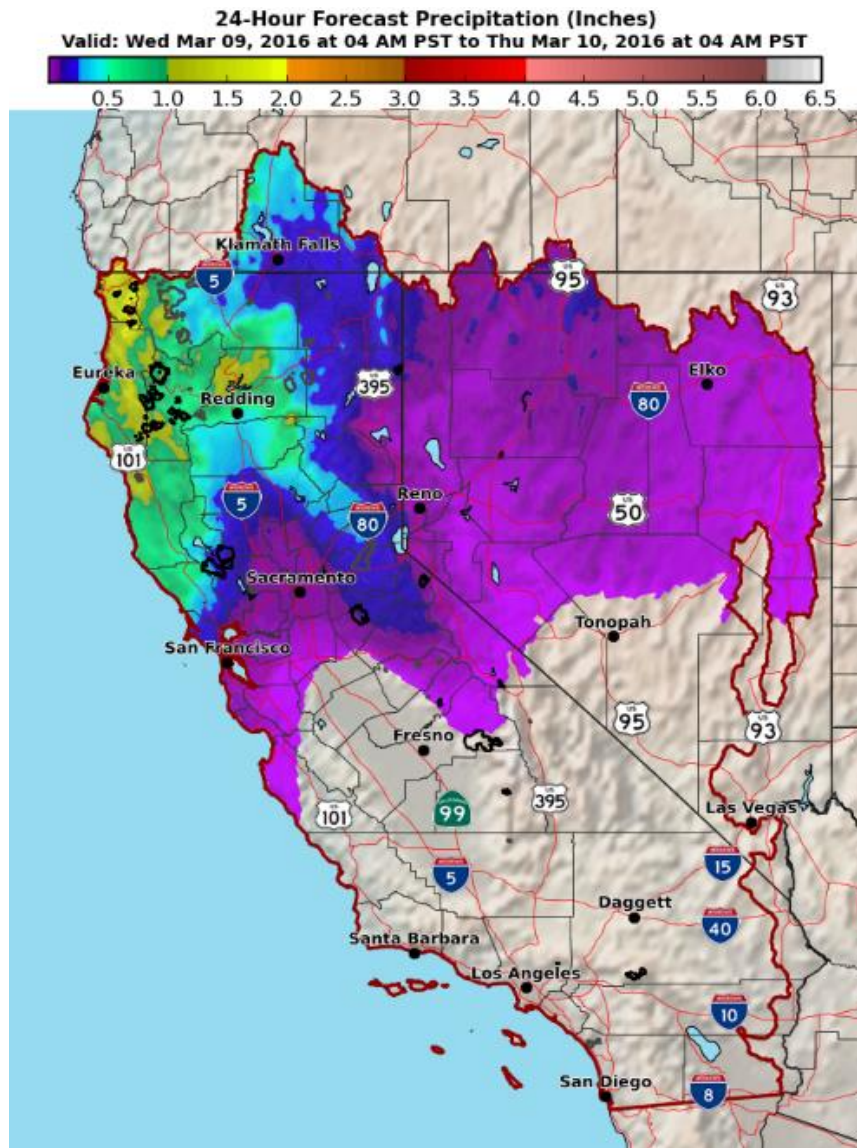


Precipitation Forecast

Rain Totals Thu - Tue

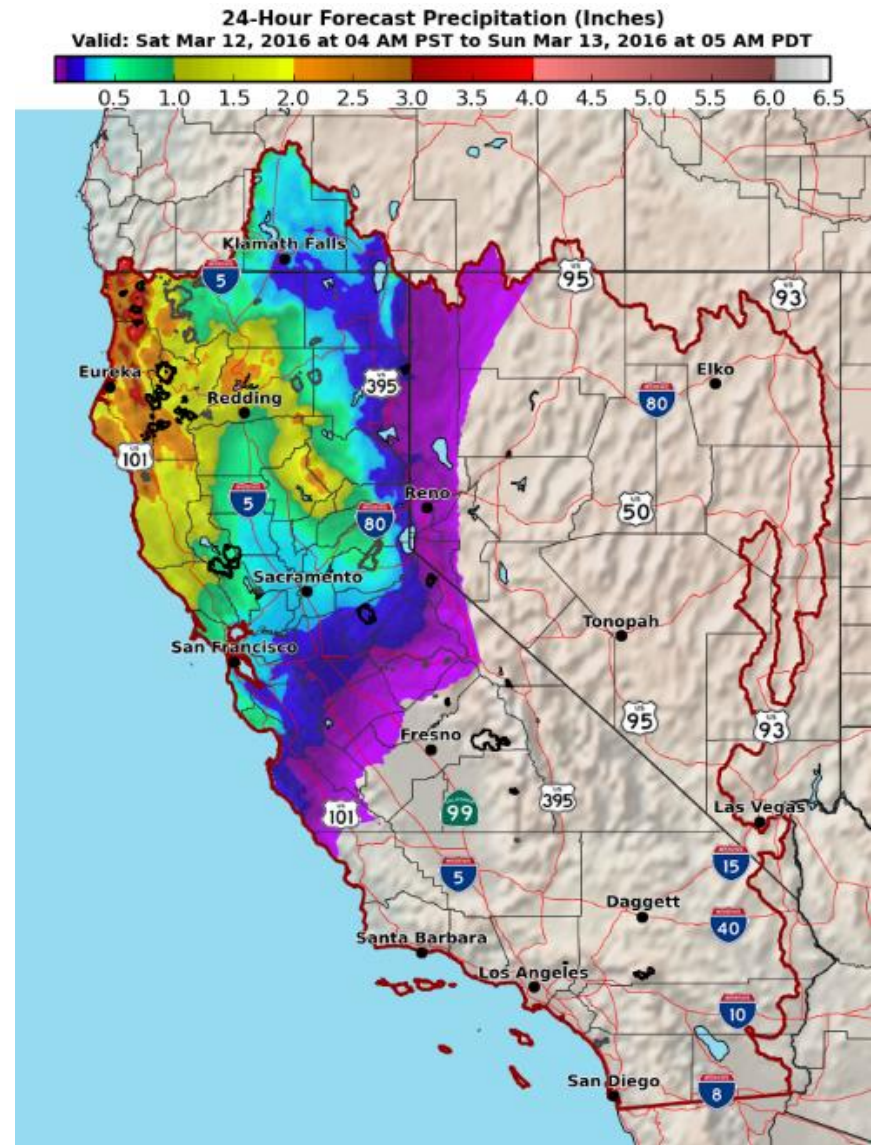
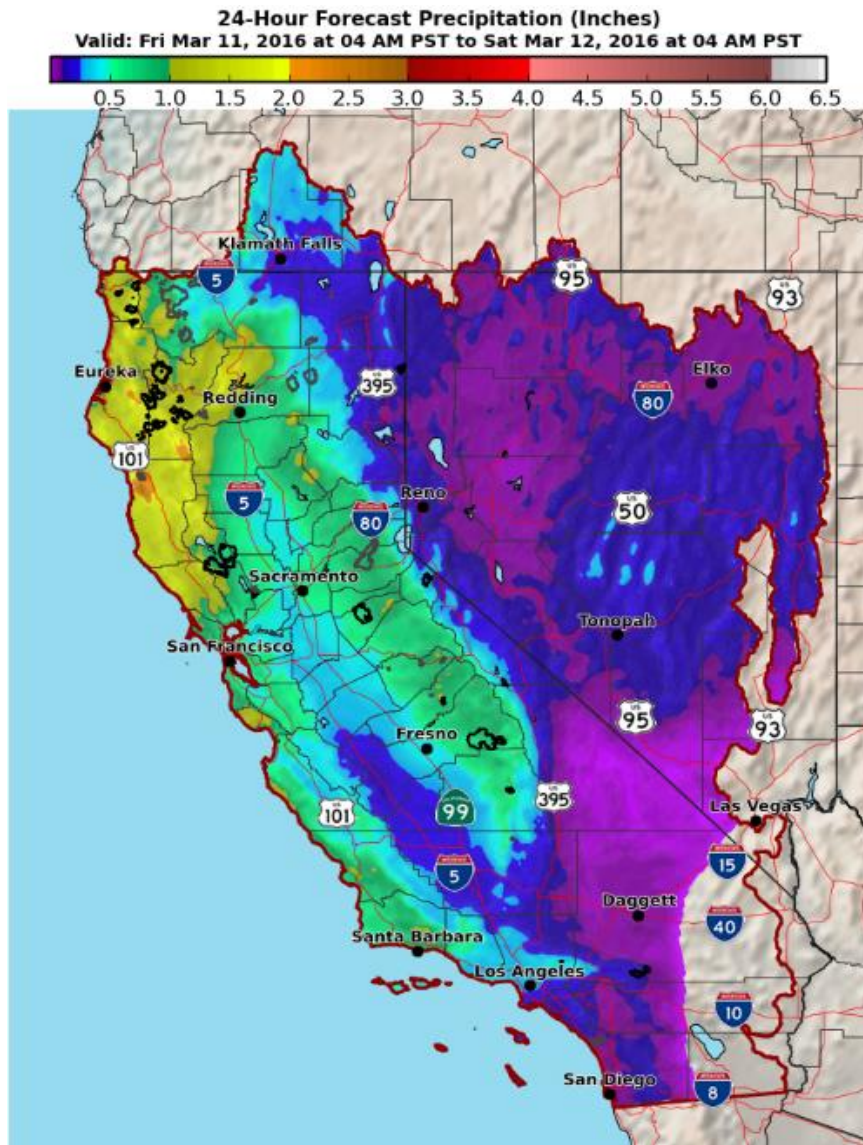


STATE WEATHER MAP

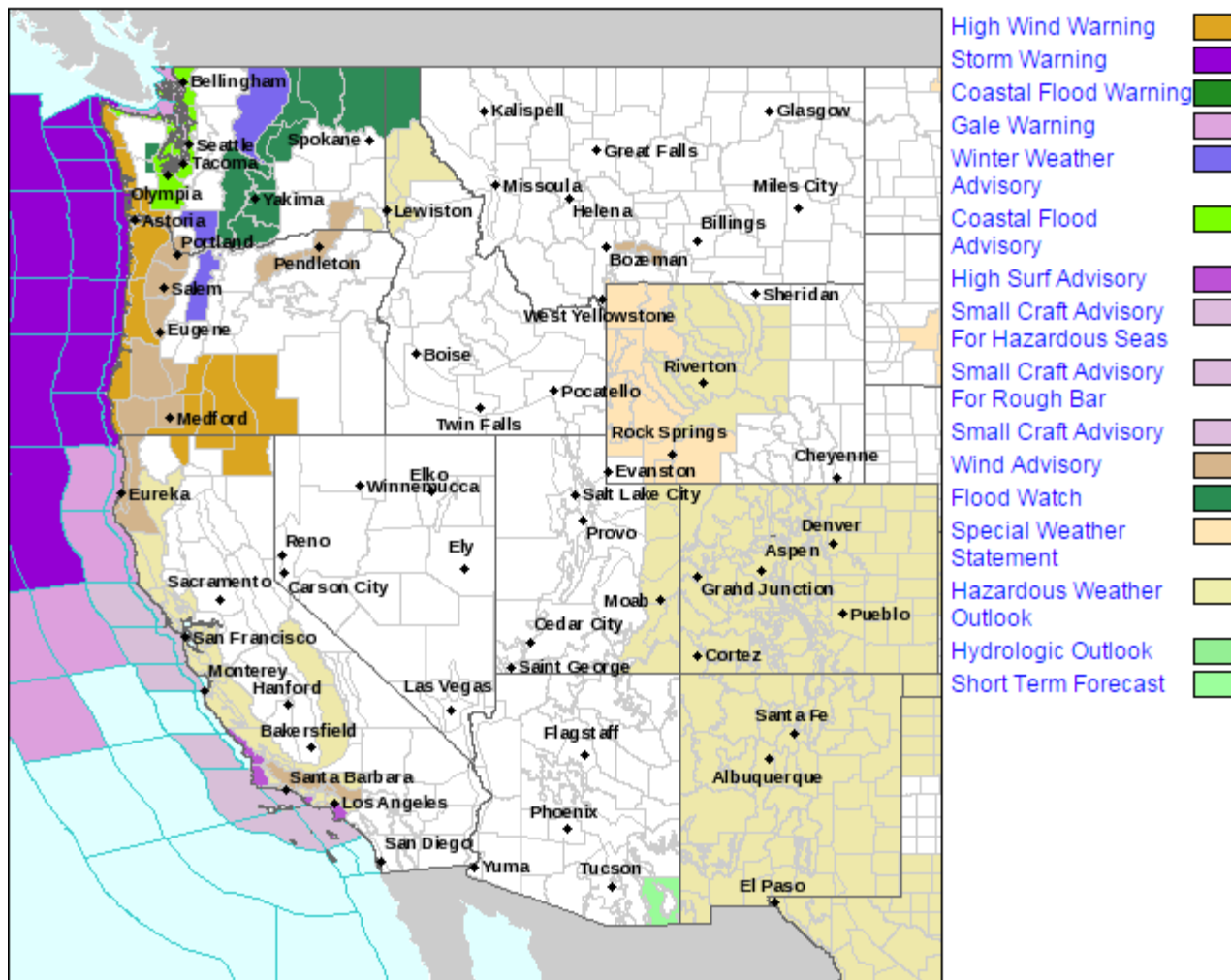


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FIRE ACTIVITY

Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 61 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 27 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.